GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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INTEGRATED WASTELAND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of projects being implemented by various agencies under I.W.D.P. and the funds released by the Government during the last three years for this purpose, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has associated the local Members of Parliament for the monitoring of the works being undertaken under this programme;

(c) if so, whether the Government has received any complaints that the concerned Members of Parliament are not consulted in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA)

(a) 1151 projects have been sanctioned under Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP) for treatment of non-forest wastelands/degraded lands on watershed approach w.e.f 1.4.1995 till 31.7.2005. The watershed projects under IWDP are being implemented through the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and Government line departments tc act as a Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs) at the village/ ground level. State wise details of funds released to DRDAs/ ZPs/State Governments under IWDP during the last 3 years (2002-03 to 2004-05) are given in the enclosed statement.

(b) Ministry of Rura1 Development has constituted the district level vigilance and monitoring committees with the members of 14th Lok Sabha nominated as Chairmen/ Co-Chairmen and members of Rajya Sabha nominated as Co-Chairmen to supervise, exercise, vigilance and monitor the implementation of all programmes of the Ministry of Rural Development including IWDP.

(c) to (e) No such complaints pertaining to IWDP have been received in the Department of Land Resources.